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PAW PAW FAIR TO BE A HUMMER

Details for Big Fair October 13, 14, 15 Nearly all Completed.

OFFER ATTRACTIVE PREMIUMS

Business Men Contribute Liberally to Success of Movement. Doings Every Minute.

Plans for the big three days' fair to be held in Paw Paw on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, October 13, 14 and 15, are progressing nicely. The committee having the matter in charge have the details of the event well in hand, and it promises to be a big event in the history of Paw Paw.

It is planned to have something doing every minute of the time during the three days. There will be plenty of music, and in the forenoon of each day a series of running races will be pulled off. Attractive prizes will be given the winning horses.

It is also planned to hold a base ball tournament during the three days. Several of Paw Paw's stars in the big leagues are now home for the season, and everyone would like to see them in action. A series of games with, say, Bloomingdale and Hastings, two of the strongest teams in southern Michigan, would prove attractive. The ball games will be pulled off on the afternoon of each day.

One of the big features of the fair from an amusement and educational standpoint will be an Indian village. Arrangements have been made with the remaining families of the Pottowotamie tribe of Indians to erect a wigwam somewhere near the right. It is nearly possible like the real Indian native. A museum and give the genuine Indian speech for the amusement of the public. There are only a few of the many attractions of the big fair.

Attractive cash and merchandise premiums will be given for the various exhibits, and from the interest manifested by the people in this vicinity, the park will be overflowing with prize products from the farm and vineyard.

A half page ad. in this issue of The True Northerner will give some idea of the details for the three big days, and further information will be given in the press next week.

In addition to the list of exhibits advertised and for which prizes will be awarded, will be a pony show. Every owner of a pony in the county will probably want to enter this event.

One thing is certain and that is that every man, woman and child in this part of Van Buren county cannot afford to miss the big fair. Look the list over carefully as printed elsewhere in this issue, then put your shoulder to the wheel and assist in making this fair a sample of the old time fairs that were one time held in Paw Paw.

ANOTHER FINE LECTURE COURSE

Shakespearean Reader of Prominence Has the Opening Number.

The citizen of Paw Paw and vicinity should bear in mind the excellent lecture course that has been provided for the coming season. The lecture courses in Paw Paw have for several years given excellent satisfaction, and the coming course will equal if not surpass any of the courses of the past. As announced last week, the opening number will be C. E. W. Griffith a Shakespearean reader of prominence, on Thursday evening November 3rd. Our townsman N. E. Dillie is well acquainted with Mr. Griffith and states that he is one of the foremost readers of Shakespeare on the American platform today. The people of Paw Paw are fortunate in being able to hear so distinguished a gentleman as Mr. Griffith. Season tickets for the lecture course will soon be on sale, and it is up to every citizen of Paw Paw and vicinity to purchase one.

JACK WORTHINGTON MARRIED

J. E. Worthington, so long with the Grand Rapids Herald and known as a No. 1 newspaper man, did splendid work in behalf of Senator Burrows' candidacy for re-nomination, and failed, but "Jack," as he is familiarly called, is not a failure in all he undertakes, for a few days since he and Miss Nellie B. Starter of Grand Rapids were quietly married, and thus he drowned some of his sorrow over political defeat.—Michigan Bulletin.

WALK TO CEMETERY ASSURED

Work Started on New Cement Walk. Expense all Donated.

Mention was made in a recent issue of The True Northerner, of an effort being made to raise funds with which to build a cement sidewalk to Prospect cemetery. The proposition met with the approval of the citizens of Paw Paw, and the prospects now are that the walk will soon be built. Some of the grading has already been finished, and some cement laid. It will be necessary however, in order to complete the job, that some more money be raised, and labor donated. It would seem that every lot owner, would be willing to contribute something towards the walk. It has also been suggested that the lodges who have occasion to walk to the cemetery frequently on funeral occasions should assist in the work. This is a matter that should be brought to the attention of the various lodges. A little more push and energy on the part of citizens of the village will insure a fine cement walk to the cemetery, and the benefits and conveniences would be everlasting.

BIG RACING MATINEE AT BANGOR TRACK

The Bangor Driving association will hold another of their popular matinees at the race track Tuesday, October 4. On this day three good races will be the program: A free-for-all with a purse of \$40; a 2:40 pace with a purse of \$30 and a 2:30 trot with a purse of \$30. Since the last matinee the track has been worked constantly and a number of stalls have been erected. The association have the promise of plenty of horses for the October 4 races to guarantee splendid sport and good contests. Paw Paw people will make no mistake in going to Bangor on that date.

NEW FIRM OF LAKE & SON

Bert E. Bennett of the firm of Bennett and Lake has sold his interest in the furniture and undertaking business to the senior partner Chas. E. Lake and son, who will conduct the business on the same general lines as heretofore. They have engaged the services of a licensed embalmer to attend to that branch of the undertaking business. The new firm's "ad" and announcement appears in another column of this issue.

L. H. BAILEY CORRECTS NORTHERNER

In writing of the death of the late Adolphus Brown in last week's issue of The True Northerner, it was stated that he was a charter member of the South Haven Lodge F. and A. M. This was an error, and we print herewith a correction from the pen of Liberty H. Bailey of South Haven:

South Haven, Mich., Sept. 27, 1910
I see by The True Northerner that brother Brown was a charter member of Star of the Lake Lodge. He was not a charter member. He was one of the first to join our lodge. I was master at the time. He was then a resident of Bangor, and a few years later he sold his farm and moved to Paw Paw. With this correction, I am, fraternally yours,
L. H. BAILEY

REV. STANSELL COMING BACK

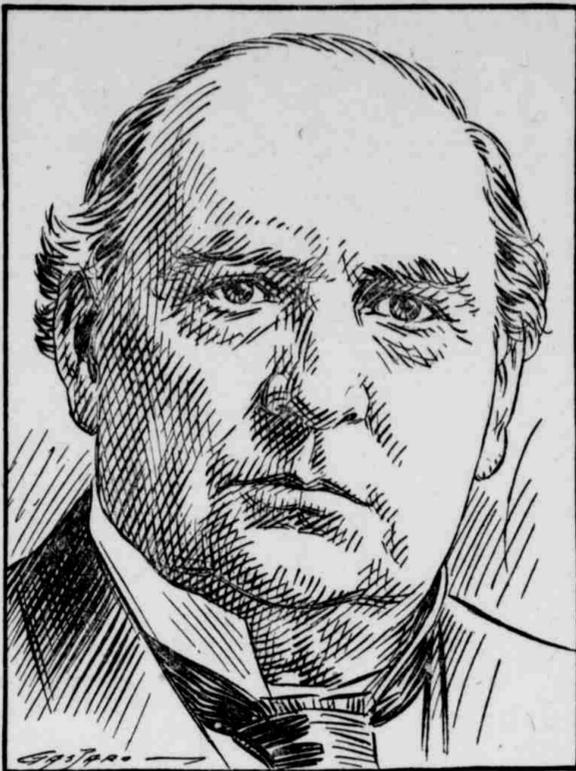
The many friends of Rev. G. Gilbert Stansell will be pleased to learn that the Michigan M. E. conference held in Jackson last week assigned him to the Paw Paw field again for the coming year. The other nearby assignments are as follows: Bangor, C. S. Risley; Decatur, Chas. Baughman; Hartford, H. R. E. Quant; Lawrence, A. F. Hart; Lawton, Whyrow Grier; Mattawan, J. L. Mershon

WAVERLY CAMP M. W. A.

The True Northerner was in error last week, in announcing that the state lecturer of the Modern Woodmen of America would meet with the Waverly Camp No. 3178 on Friday October 7. The state lecturer will meet with this camp, the date is Saturday October 1st. A large attendance is anticipated. Refreshments will be served.

ASSISTING MISS COOPER.

Miss Mary Wilson of Lawton is assisting Miss Marie Cooper in her millinery parlors. Miss Wilson is a trimmer of years of experience, and is well known in Paw Paw.



JOHN H. BANKHEAD.
United States Senator From Alabama.

COL. ROOSEVELT'S TRIBUTE TO PRESIDENT TAFT FOR WORK ALREADY ACCOMPLISHED

From his speech as temporary chairman of the New York Republican state convention.

We come here feeling that we have the right to appeal to the people from the standpoint alike of national and state achievement. During the last eighteen months a long list of laws, embodying legislation most heartily to be commended as combining wisdom with progress, has been enacted by congress and approved by President Taft.

The amendments to the interstate commerce law; beginning of a national legislative program for the exercise of the taxing power in connection with big corporations doing an interstate business; the appointment of a commission to frame measures to do away with the evils of overcapitalization and improper and excessive issues of stocks and bonds; the law providing for publicity of campaign expenses; the establishment of the maximum and minimum tariff provisions and the exceedingly able negotiations of the Canadian and other treaties in accordance therewith; the adoption of the policy of providing for a disinterested revision of tariff schedules through a high class commission of experts which will treat each schedule purely on its own merits with a view both to protecting the consumer from excessive prices and to securing for the American producer, and especially the American wage worker, what will represent the difference of cost in production here as compared with the cost of production in countries where labor is less liberally rewarded; the extension of the laws regulating safety appliances for the protection of labor; the creation of a bureau of mines—these and similar laws, backed up by executive action, reflect high credit upon all who succeeded in putting them in their present form upon the statute books.

They represent an earnest of the achievement which is yet to come; and the beneficence and far reaching importance of this work, done for the whole people, measures the credit which is rightly due to the congress and to our able, upright and distinguished president, William Howard Taft.

JAIL SENTENCE FOR ESCANABA EDITOR

With rapidity the case of the people vs. F. L. Baldwin of the Escanaba Journal was brought to trial and on the 14th inst. a verdict of guilty was rendered by the jury. The charge against Mr. Baldwin was a criminal one—publishing during the late contest at the primaries articles assailing the character and reputation of Hon. Chase S. Osborn, candidate for governor. Judge Emil Glaser at once sentenced Mr. Baldwin to the county jail for 90 days and to pay a fine of \$100. Mr. Baldwin has appealed the case and given bail for his appearance. Mr. Osborn was present at the trial and there was an army of legal talent on both sides.

BOOS CANNOT SELL BOOZE IN AUGUSTA

The supreme court has affirmed the case of Boos vs. the village of Augusta. This was a mandamus case from Kalamazoo county. Boos wanted to open a saloon in spite of an ordinance making the village dry. Judge Knappen sustained the right of the village to exclude saloons from its boundaries and the supreme court says he was right. This is the first case of the kind under the new liquor law and establishes a precedent in regard to the power of villages over the liquor traffic. Boos can't sell booze—not in Augusta. Poor Boos; poor booze.

LOWEST DEATH RATE RECORDED

Bulletins Issued by Census Department Gives Death Rate for 1909.

Fifteen deaths to each 1,000 inhabitants was the death rate in 1909, according to a bulletin about to be issued by the census bureau and this is the lowest average ever recorded for this country. The figures cover the cities and states having laws requiring the registration of deaths, and these represent an estimated total population of 48,776,880, or 55.3 per cent of the estimated total for the entire country.

The summary of 15 states includes Michigan and in addition 54 cities having local registration laws.

The total number of deaths recorded was 732,528, of which 298,597, or over 54 per cent were of males. The greatest mortality occurred in March and the lowest in June. In 1908 the rate was 15.4 per cent, the last year indicating a falling off of almost half of 1 per cent.

Excellent as the showing was it was not so good as was made in England where the rate was only 14 1/2 to the thousand. The low rate in both countries is attributed to the absence of wide spread epidemics.

VALUABLE BOOK GOT IN THE RAG BAG

Eugene Salisbury of Paw Paw is having a peck of trouble. He was the owner of a valuable relic in the nature of a book, printed about the year 1800. It contained many of the early speeches of George Washington, and was a rare book. Mr. Salisbury loaned the book to a friend, and it seems that in some manner it found its way into the rag bag, and was sold for paper rags. The next heard of the rare volume was from Kalamazoo where it had been found by a workman in the Monarch paper mills, and sold to Bernard Benson of that city. The book is valued at a fabulous sum, and Mr. Salisbury has taken steps to recover his lost property.

KILLED MONSTROUS RATTLER

George Ampey recently brought to The True Northerner office the skin of a rattlesnake which he killed on his son's farm south of Paw Paw. The reptile was a trifle over 40 in. in length, and one of the largest of its kind ever seen in this vicinity. The skin is on exhibition in the True Northerner office.

FAIR AUDIENCE SAW PINKERTON GIRL

"Pinky The Pinkerton Girl" company played at Longwell's opera house last week Thursday evening, in a "Musical Phantasia". The play was fairly well patronized, and the majority of the audience were well pleased with the production. Some of the characters, especially "Pinky" were well taken. The plays at the opera house are as a rule not as well patronized as they should be. Manager Longwell has some especially strong companies for coming engagements, and they should be patronized by the public. Paw Paw used to have the reputation of being one of the best show towns in the country. A little more interest on the part of the public, would insure a better class of entertainments.

KNOTS TIED IN GOOD STYLE

There were two weddings in the county clerk's office on Wednesday. The following couples were made happy by Judge Killiefer, who tied the knots in the most approved and up-to-date manner. Arthur J. Mark of Hamilton and Miss Daisy Starr Eastman of Lawrence, Early Leedy and Ida Behnk both of Columbia.

SECOND CROP OF BERRIES

Chas. Wall recently brought to The True Northerner office a branch from a raspberry vine that was filled with fine berries. This is the second crop of the year from these vines. Some patches of strawberries in this vicinity have also yielded a second crop.

POSITION IN INDIANA.

The Misses Analdine and Vivian McCabe have been visiting relatives in Marion, Indiana. Miss Vivian has accepted a position in a large department store there.

GRAPE HARVEST IS NEARLY OVER

Paw Paw Crop Will Total About 60 Carloads. Fruit is Fine.

TEN PER CENT OF LAST YEAR

About 600 Carloads Were Sent From This Section Last Year. Prices High this Season.

The grape harvest is progressing rapidly. While the crop is exceedingly light this season, a better quality of fruit was never shipped from any station than has been sent out from Paw Paw this year.

Soon after the freeze last spring it was predicted that there would be about a quarter of a crop. Later it was thought that 10 per cent of a crop would be a good average. The latter estimate proved to be nearly correct. There have been shipped from this station to date, about 40 carloads of grapes and the crop is two-thirds harvested. In all probability there will have been shipped when the season is finished about 60 carloads. Last season's crop from Paw Paw totaled just 598 carloads.

As already stated, the quality of the fruit is exceptional fine and the price correspondingly high. The prevailing price has been from 20 to 24 cents for eight pound baskets, while some have gone a little above that notch.

Some growers have fared better in the way of yield than others. The crop on the Hollingsworth farm was all picked and harvested Tuesday. There were 20 acres in the vineyard and the crop yielded 4,000 baskets. It sold for nearly 24 cents per basket. Others that might be mentioned had scarcely enough to pay for the picking.

One singular feature about this season's crop is the fact that those who have seemingly paid the least attention to the growing crop have harvested the best crops. Some vineyards that were literally alive with the rot last season have grown a fair crop of excellent grapes this year. Of course it would not be safe for growers as a general rule to run their vineyards upon this theory, for it is absolutely necessary to take the proper care of the ground and vines and do the requisite amount of spraying for the rot. The short crop this season, however, has resulted in many surprises.

JURORS DRAWN FOR NEXT TERM

Summoned to Appear on October 24, at 10 O'clock A. M.

The jurors for the next term of court, which convenes Monday, October 17 were drawn at the county clerk's office last Monday. They will be summoned to appear on Monday, October 24, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon. Following is the list:

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| Van Wiltenberg, Edwin | Almena |
| Downing, Edmund | Antwerp |
| Cross, Alfonso | Arlington |
| Nichols, Alfred | Arlington |
| Mitchler, Thomas J. | Bangor |
| Cooley, Eber | Bloomingdale |
| Rhodes, James | Bloomingdale |
| Adams, Frank A. | Columbia |
| Dean, Edgar | Columbia |
| Turner, Joseph | Covert |
| Stapleton, Frank C. | Decatur |
| Starks, L. B. | Geneva |
| Zimmerman, A. R. | Hamilton |
| Cole, C. F. | Hamilton |
| Olds, Allen | Hartford |
| Kelley, Royce | Hartford |
| Danneffel, Henry | Keeler |
| McAlpine, J. C. | Keeler |
| Harris, George | Lawrence |
| Mossier, Douglass | Lawrence |
| Tuttle, Roy | Paw Paw |
| Finch, Gaines | Porter |
| Everest, Oscar | Pine Grove |
| Curtiss, George | So. Haven 1st wd |
| Burge, Edward | So. Haven 2d wd |
| Dillman, A. O. | So. Haven 2d wd |
| Howard, David | So. Haven 3d wd |
| Snooble, Wm. | So. Haven 3d wd |
| Wheeler, Eugene D. | So. Haven 2nd Beaching, Wm. |
| Beaching, Wm. | Waverly |

PAW PAW IN DEAD EARNEST

Paw Paw is in dead earnest about its fair and has fixed the date and arranged a premium list.
Paw Paw was holding fairs 50 years ago, and even 25 years ago. They were memorable events, and should have been kept up. If they have got the fever now they may regain their old-time prominence in this direction.—Dowagiac Herald.